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- LATE LOGS -

Radio Eclipse: 5/15-0012-6955-USB. (MH,SC 343/311)
5/15-0040-6950-USB. (MH,SC 343)

Radio Metallica WW: 5/14-2346-6955-AM. (MH,SC 555)
5/15-0051-6955-AM. (MH,SC 555)

WACK: 5/16-0015-6955-USB. (MH,SC 333/232)

WMPR: 5/15-0013-6955-AM. (MH,SC 433)
5/15-0124+-6955.1-AM. (MH,SC 444)

- FROM ACROSS THE POND -

Alpha Lima International- PO Box 663, cc 7900ar Hoogeveen, The Netherlands
May 23-0238-0314-11480.5-AM. Relay via R.Bandonica, pop mx including "El Paso" & Abba's "Dancing Queen". (RC,MA very strong)
June 12-0002-0035+-11480.3-AM. OM w/dance mx & gave a phone # to call. (GM,VA 333)
June 12/13-2206-0258-11480.4v-AM. Live brdcast w/OM anncr playing songs by Ozzy Osbourne, Nena Cherry, Hanson, Boston, Meatloaf, Cheap Trick, Culture Club & Genesis, sd "free radio station out of The Netherlands", occasional time checks, mentioned R.East Coast Holland on 11490, sd to check freq. for future brdcasts. (PD,ME fair to very good) (JF,RI 434/544 per e-mail received from stn he was using 325 watts)
June 19-2239-2332+-11480.5-AM. Playing YL dance tunes, op gave weather report for his area. (JF,RI 444)

Radio Cochiguaz-PO Box 159, Santiago 14, Chile
May 29-2325-2349-6950-LSB. Latin instrumental mx, IDs in SS & EE. (RB,Germany 121 PLS QSL)

Radio East Coast Holland- same as Alpha Lima International
June 12/13-2321-0040+-11490.1-AM. OM playing songs by Damn Yankees, Kim Wild, The Scorpions, The Bangles, Bruce Springsteen, sd hello to listeners in America. (JF,RI 3-433)

Radio Free London- Cedex, France & rflsw@usa.net
May 23-0021-0108-15068.5-AM. Frequent IDs by Andy Walker, songs by CCR, The Temptations, Rolling Stones, Deep Purple, The Clash. (RC,MA good & thanks to Boston Area DXers for tip!) (EK,Alberta 353)
May 23/24-2345-0055-15068.6-AM. Mx by The Doors. (EK,Alberta 3-453)
May 24-2153-2230+-15068.5-AM. OM w/oldies, comments & phone #. (GM,VA 243/ 343)

Stations Relayed via SWRS:

Con Frecuencia-C.C. 950, 2000 Rosario, Argentina
May 21/22-2334-0001-11470-USB. OM in Spanish w/short musical breaks, either read reception reports or gave some DX info. (PD,ME poor)

Crazy Wave Radio-Wuppertal, Germany
May 22-0200+-11470-USB. (tent.) No details given. (GM,CT 222)

Radio Blandengue-Merlin, ONT

May 22-0038-0108-11470-USB. Nice mix of instrumental & vocal South American mx anncr gave several slow speed IDs. (PD,ME fair to good)

Radio Flamingo-PO Box 1951, 79554 Weil am Rhein, Germany

May 24-0041-0137-11470-USB. Anncr in German & English, songs by The Rolling Stones & Village People then a mix of Spanish, country & techno mx. (PD,ME fair)

June 5/6-2305-0005*-11470-USB. Songs including "YMCA". (GM,VA 242/343)

Radio Metropolis-PO Box 520112, 44207 Dortmund, Germany

May 28-2321-2359-11470-USB. Lots of Joe Cocker tunes & a cover of "Whiter Shade Of Pale", anncr in German & English. (PD,ME fair)

Radio Strike-c/o R.Scaglione, C.P. 119, Succ. 34, 90144 Palermo, Italy

May 24-0241-0300-11470-USB. Pgm of flute & vocal mx w/OM anncr in Italian. (PD,ME fair to good)

Rock-It Radio-Ventura, CA & rockitradio@earthlink.net

June 13-0141-0250+-11470-USB. Bennie Dingo w/songs by The Shells, The Cigar Store Indians, The Excellence, Johnny & The Del Cores, old ads for Ajax & Oldsmobile Rocket 88. (GM,CT 232) (JF,RI 344) (PD,ME fair to good) (JS,NE)

Star Club Radio-Wuppertal, Germany

May 28-2100-2138+-11470-USB. German stn playing mx by Jefferson Airplane, Cher & Chicago, song "We Love The Pirate Stations", anncr sd "Vx of Germany, Europe & the world!". (JF,RI 343)

SWRS Radio-Wuppertal, Germany & swrs@usa.net

May 21-2334-2337-11470-USB. No details given. (JM,PA)

May 22-0002-0037-11470-USB. Pirate Connection promo, mx by ZZ Top, Aerosmith & Alanis Morissette. (PD,ME fair to poor)

May 22-0108-0139-11470-USB. "Le Freak" by Chic & "Total Eclipse Of The Heart". (PD,ME fair to good) (LS,OH 353)

May 28-1957-2053+-11470-USB. Anncd as a live brdcast w/mx by The Beach Boys, David Bowie, Madonna, The Scorpions, Abba, live time checks. (JF,RI 242)

June 4-2204-2250-11470-USB. Live brdcast & mentioned special QSL available, pop mx including YL version of "Knockin' On Heavens Door". (JF,RI 2-343)

June 6-0005-0100-11470-USB. Live brdcast w/pop mx. (GM,VA 344)

June 13-2338-2351+-11470-USB. Oldies pop tunes like "Turn Around". (GM,CT 232) (PD,ME fair)

Treasure Island Oldies Show-c/o Michael Godin, 401-68 Water St., Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 1A4

May 22-2225-2300*-11470-USB. Oldies mx & QRT w/"Strawberry Fields Forever" by The Beatles. (PD,ME fair) (GM,CT 243) (GM,VA 344)

May 23-0257-0301-11470-USB. No details given. (JM,PA)

May 24-0139-0239-11470-USB. The "Going Places" Special w/songs:"San Francisco Nights", "Johnny Angel", "Sweet Dream Baby", "Rainy Night in GA", "White Cliffs Of Dover". (PD,ME fair to poor) (JS,NE)

June 5-2153-2251+-11470-USB. Songs:"Like A Rolling Stone" by Bob Dylan & "Last Train To Clarksville" by The Monkees. (JF,RI 2-343)

June 12-0054+-11470-USB. Old time rock & roll pgm. (GM,CT 141) (PD,ME fair) (JS,NE)

June 12-2136-2152+-11470-USB. Mx by The Beatles & The Beach Boys. (JF,RI 232)

June 13-0035-0100+-11470-USB. Mx incl "And I Love Her" by The Beatles. (PD ME fair) (JM,PA)

June 14-0120+-11470-USB. Songs: "Sweet Dream Baby", "Johnny Angel". (JS,NE poor)

WLIQ-Blue Ridge Summit, PA & wliq@rednecks.com

May 24-0022-0033-11470-USB. Replay of the Mr. Ducktail pgm. (PD,ME poor) (GM,CT 232)

May 24-2223-2230-11470-USB. No details given. (JM,PA)

Yellow Submarine Radio- PO Box 520112, 44207 Dortmund, Germany

May 22/23-2308-0008-11470-USB. Songs: "Silence Is Golden", "Playing With Fire" "All You Need Is Love", "Yellow Submarine". (PD,ME fair) (GM,CT 233) (GM,VA 344)

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June 12-0235+-11470-USB. "Blister In The Sun" by The Violent Femmes, 2 YL anncrs. (PD,ME good to very good)

- NORTH AMERICA - SHORTWAVE -**Blind Faith Radio-Merlin, ONT & blindfaithradio@yahoo.com**

May 22-0400-0500-6955-USB. Mx by The Doors, Steely Dan, Steppenwolf. (BF,PA excellent) (SM,OK as unid PLS QSL)

May 29-1628*-6955-USB. End of brdcast w/"Laugh, Laugh" & Doc Napalm saying goodbye. (PD,ME fair)

CERW "Crazy Elmo's Relay World"- anncd crazyelmo@youpy.com

May 23-2109-2120*-6955-USB. New stn w/anncr Crazy Elmo, sd testing & played a Seinfeld rap, X-Files theme, "What's Up?" by Four-Non Blondes, gave stn ID over song "They're Coming To Take Me Away". (BF,PA good) (PD,ME good) (JM,PA)

May 23-2216-2229*-6955-USB. Replay of 5/23, 2109 UTC test. (BF,PA excellent) (JF,RI 333) (GM,CT 555) (PD,ME good)

May 23-2305-2321*-6955-USB. Stars Wars mx, re-mixes of "More Human Than Human" by White Zombie & "Loser" by Beck, South Park clips, X-Files Xmas bit. (BF,PA excellent) (GM,CT 545) (JF,RI 444) (PD,ME very good)

May 29-0013-0024*-6955-USB. Replay of 5/23, 2109 UTC test pgm. (PD,ME very good) (BF,PA exc.) (MH,SC 343)

May 29-0141-0157*-6955-USB. Replay of 5/23, 2216 UTC test pgm. (BF,PA exc.) (JF,RI 444) (JM,PA) (JS,NE PLS QSL great pgm!)

CHU-QSL info unknown

June 19-0015-0031*-6950-AM. Tom Petty songs: "Happy Hour", "Watching The Detective" & "Radio-Radio", voice clip ID "CHU Canada" then off. (JA,NY 455 PLS QSL nice audio)

Free Hope Experience-Blue Ridge Summit, PA

May 22-0307-0327*-6955-USB. Anncr Major Spook w/mx by The Talking Heads, The Beatles, Hawaii Five-0 theme, greetings to listeners, ID in phonetic & CW. (SM,OK) (BF,PA weak) (PD,ME fair) (MH,SC 232) (LS,OH 252)

Free Radio America-QSL info unknown

May 26-0142-0202-6954.9-USB. The Don offering commentary & mx including Scandal & Aldo Nova, distorted audio. (SM,OK) (BF,PA PLS QSL) (JM,PA PLS QSL) (JS,NE 433+ PLS QSL)

May 26-2126-2138-6955-USB. Mx:"We're Not Gonna Take It". (BF,PA weak)

May 28-0123-0126-6954.9-USB. Mx by Joe Cocker, slogan "the skull & crossbones of the airwaves". (JS,NE PLS QSL)

June 5-0143-0158+-6955-USB. Pgm of rock w/long discussions by anncr. (GZ,OH 333-)

Jerry Rigged Radio-Providence, RI

May 22-0548-0714-6935/6850 & 7375-USB. Pink Floyd mx. (BF,PA very good)

KMART- stonecold6955@hotmail.com

June 8-2341-6955-USB. Stone Cold playing mx by The Yardbirds & Jimi Hendrix. (NW,ONT good) (JM,PA PLS QSL) (JS,NE 322+)

June 12-0509-0522-6955-USB. Mx & a song for Steve. (BF,PA)

Radio Eclipse-Providence, RI

June 12-0424-0455-6950-USB. Songs: "Respect" & "Hotel JTA". (BF,PA)

Radio Free Speech- still QSL?

May 30-*0059-0117*-6954.9-AM. The F*ck You FCC Special w/OM annrc, songs including "Blow Me", "You're An Asshole", QRT w/usual parody of National Anthem. (RB,Germany 131 PLS QSL) (PD,ME poor) (JF,RI 343) (BF,PA excellent) (WH,IL 232) (MH,SC 343) (JM,PA)

May 30-1200-1216-6955-AM. Replay of 5/30, 0059 UTC show. (TB,NY 432)

May 30-2059-2116*-6954.9-AM. Replay of 5/30,0059 UTC show. (JF,RI 243) (MP,NY 353) (JM,PA)

Radio Fusion Radio-Providence, RI

May 30-*0122-0145*-6955-USB. Sd using 900, 000 watts of power from the college of knowledge, played "The Macarena" over & over. (NW,ONT good) (PD,ME good) (JF,RI 444) (BF,PA excellent) (MH,SC 343)

Radio Metallica Worldwide-Blue Ridge Summit, PA

May 21-0044-0105*-6955-AM. Replay of Consumer Reports Y2K pgm. (GM,CT 555) (JS,NE)

May 29-*2340-2350*-6955-USB. Dr.Tornado announcing a brdest over Memorial Day Weekend using 20, 000 watts, urged other ops to say what has to be said & be more political, sd the new pgm would not have any "faggot commercials" pulled off the Internet & gave 2 thumbs up for WMFQ show. (NW,ONT very good) (RB,Germany PLS QSL) (PD,ME very good) (BF,PA exc.) (MH,SC 343) (GM,VA 313)

May 30-0443-0522-6952.5-AM. Tx abt India & Pakistan conflict, Matt Drudge pros & cons, laws & government. (PD,ME very good) (BF,PA excellent)

May 30-1737-1950*-6952.4-AM. Played songs: "Talk To The Wind", "Court Of The Crimson King", "I'll Be Crying", other mx by Alice In Chains, tx abt federal government & tobacco. (MP,NY 555) (JF,RI 555)

Radio Three- QSLs via Dialogs

May 30-*0000-0030*-6955-USB. Sal Ammoniac playing songs by The Bee Gees, The Partridge Family, Culture Club & Michael Jackson, sd to get a QSL you have to name every member of groups played along with their hair & eye color. (PD,ME good) (NW,ONT good) (RB,Germany 233 PLS QSL) (MP,NY 454) (JF,RI 444) (BF,PA exc.) (MH,SC 343)

Radio Tornado Worldwide-QSLs via Dialogs, FRW or FRN postings

May 29-2156-2203*-6955-USB. Tx abt pirate radio net & Jimmy The Weasel clips. (MP,NY 343 PLS QSL)

May 29-2300-2304 & 2351-6955-USB. Clips of Dr.Tornado forgetting the BRS drop zip code. (NW,ONT good) (RB,Germany 232 PLS QSL) (BF,PA exc.)

May 30-1639-1644* & 1649+-6955-USB. Jimmy The Weasel & Dr.Tornado w/tx abt how Bill Clinton is aware of 6955, something abt hotdogs & hamburgers. (JF,RI 243)

May 31-*0024-0104*-6955-USB. Clips of Dr.Tornado & Jimmy The Weasel mixed in w/ mx by Sugar Ray, Metallica, The Offspring & South Park songs. (PD,ME very good) (GZ,OH 353) (JF,RI 444)

May 31-0122-0134-6955-USB. Partial replay of 5/31, 0024 UTC pgm. (PD,ME very good)

June 13-2024-2050+-6955.2v-AM. Dr.Tornado clips & mx by The Offspring. (JF,RI 433)

June 18-0156-0200-6955.5-LSB. Dr.Tornado clips from Memorial Day weekend along w/ Jimmy The Weasel. (PD,ME good)

Radio USA-Belfast, NY

May 24-0058-0117*-6955-AM. Mix of mx, comedy & mailbag w/YL giving QSL info. Mr. Blue Sky sd he had voted for George Zeller & Bill O.Rights for President of the USA. (GZ,OH 353) (GM,CT 232) (BF,PA very weak) (LS,OH 242)

Richochet Radio-Blue Ridge Summit, PA

June 6-0055-0106*-6954.8-USB. Mx, tribute to fast food & parody of Dr.Laura, relay via WKND? (BF,PA weak) (GZ,OH 232 as WKND) (MH,SC 232) (LS,OH 353/252 PLS QSL) (JM,PA)

June 7-0104-0138*-6954.8-AM. Replay of 6/6, 0055 UTC pgm. (NW,ONT poor) (LS,OH 353 as unid PLS QSL)

Scream Of The Butterfly-Providence, RI

May 23-*0106-0157*-6955-USB. Announcer Johnny Rockin' back w/new program, said from the North Atlantic & played songs by Hendrix, Bob Dylan, The Doors, The Yardbirds, Quick Silver Messenger Service, ad for Crazy Larry's Loans, QRT w/Hendrix version of the National Anthem. (PD,ME very good) (GM,CT 555) (JF,RI 444) (BF,PA very good) (EK,Alberta) (GZ,OH 242) (MH,SC 333) (LS,OH 353)

May 30-*0159-0252*-6955-USB. Relay via CERW, mx by Donovan, The Beatles, Web Wilder, Jefferson Airplane, old Alka Seltzer ad, clip from The Day The Earth Stood Still. (RC,MA 544+) (NW,ONT very good) (SM,OK) (JF,RI 444 nice show!) (BF,PA exc.) (LS,OH 354) (MH,SC 343)

Voice Of Prozac-Pittsburgh, PA

May 22-2018-2044*-6955-AM. Interesting mx. (LS,OH 555)

June 13-0106-0142+-6955-AM. (tent.) Lots of mx but IDs under terrible noise level. (LS,OH 443/352 PLS QSL)

Voice Of The Raving Lunatic-has QSL'd loggings in the past

May 29-*0027-0115*-6955-USB. Relay via CERW, annrc Manic Maniac playing mx by Quiet Riot, Brian Adams, The B-52's, Herb Alpert & The Tijuana Brass, The Chipmunks singing "Yankee Doodle" & "Old McDonald". (PD,ME very good PLS QSL) (BF,PA excellent) (JF,RI 444) (MH,SC 343)

WACK Radio- wackradiomail@juno.com

May 23-0243-0430+-6955-USB. Mx by Cracker, King Missile, Cake, lotsa tx abt various issues including gun control, wanted someone to call in & leave their # so they could put listener on the air. (BF,PA excellent) (PD,ME good) (GM,CT 232) (SM,OK) (EK,Alberta 353) (MH,SC 333) (JM,PA) (JS,NE)

May 27-0140-0145+-6955-USB. Mx & ID, sd will be back in 5 minutes. (BF,PA excellent)

May 28-0300-0414-6955-USB. Mx & parodies like Books From The Hood, Helen Keller Sings The Blues. (BF,PA excellent) (LS,OH 454)

May 29-0336-0440-6955-USB. Rock & rap mx, many parody ads & read names of callers on the air. (WH,IL 133) (BF,PA exc.) (PD,ME very good)

June 6-2031-2108-6955-USB. Mx, Reagan & Bush speech parodies. (BF,PA)

WHYP- whyp1530@yahoo.com

May 30-2305 & 2352-2355-6955-USB. Usual format of James Brownyard reading temperatures for various cities & mumbling abt Jimmy Buffett. (NW,ONT good)

June 15-0034-0040-6955.3-AM. Pgm of a CBC Radio One clip stating CBC was leaving 740 AM for it's new spot on 99.1 FM, James Brownyard weather reports mixed in. (GM,CT 434)

June 16-0010-0025-6950-AM. Replay of 6/15, 0034 UTC pgm & song "I'm Too Cool". (BF,PA)

June 16-0155-0202-6955.4-USB. Replay of 6/15, 0034 UTC pgm. (PD,ME very good)

WKND-Blue Ridge Summit,PA

June 13-0028-0055+-6955-AM. (tent.) Barely audible under noise level. (LS,OH 252/251 PLS QSL)

WMFQ-Providence, RI

May 23-*0200-0228*-6954.8-USB. Mx by The Offspring, Chumbawumba & song "Goodnight Irene", some classical mx, usual shouted IDs. (GM,CT 434) (EK,Alberta 323) (BF,PA very good) (PD,ME very good) (JF,RI 444) (GZ,OH 232) (MH,SC 333)

May 29-2332-2336*-6955-USB. "Come Out & Play" by The Offspring along w/station IDs. (NW,ONT fair) (JF,RI 444) (RB,GE 121 PLS QSL) (MP,NY 444) (BF,PA exc) (PD,ME good)

WMPR-QSL info unknown

May 31-2308-2333+-6955-AM. Usual stuff. (JF,RI 433) (PD,ME fair) (WH,IL 244) (LS,OH 455 PLS QSL)

WPN-Huntsville,AL

June 1-0004-0009*-6955.8-AM. Stn ID & maildrop along w/some marching mx before abrupt QRT, sounded like xmtr trouble. (JF,RI 322) (PD,ME poor) (LS,OH 252 as unid)

June 1-0018-0033+-6955.3v-AM. Captain Squirtlong w/brdest to celebrate the USA, sd "get your flags out & wave them together!", played patriotic songs & marching mx, YL gave maildrop info. (PD,ME poor) (JF,RI 322/222)

June 1-0107-0115-6954.9-AM. Beastie Boys songs & some piano mx, QRM from a food groups "#s" stn. (JF,RI 222)

WRMI "Radio Michigan International"-QSL info unknown

June 6-*0224-0300* -6954.8-AM. New stn w/rock mx & parody ads including one for mouthwash, OM w/multiple IDs. (GZ,OH 343)

June 6-*0309-0326*-6954.8-AM. Replay of 6/6, 0224 UTC show. (GZ,OH 343) (BF,PA fair) (NW,ONT fair)

June 6-1210-1219*-6957.4-LSB. Replay of 6/6, 0224 UTC show. (NW,ONT good)

June 13-0251-0312+-6954.1-USB. Hard to understand OM w/songs by White Zombie, Pink Floyd, Ozzy Osbourne, mentioned Port Huron, parody song "Shove It Up Your Ass", ID'd this time as KRMI, QRM from stn on 6955.3 AM, mentioned seeing logs of brdcasts in FRW. (PD,ME good) (JF,RI 433 PLS QSL) (JS,NE as unid PLS QSL)

WRX-Manomet, MA

May 29-0207-6955-USB. Jimmy talking abt MT column abt his alleged bust, sang "Pee On The FCC", QSO w/Crazy Elmo going back & forth talking abt mama's & the like. (JF,RI 444)

May 30-0031-0057-6955-USB. Jimmy The Weasel w/comments abt Radio Three pgm & singing his "greatest hits". (BF,PA fair) (PD,ME very poor)

May 31-0104+-6955-USB. Tx abt Y2K & the abyss, usual singing, other ops urged him to run for President. (PD,ME good)

WSRR/Solid Rock Radio-Belfast, NY

May 26-2138-2204-6955-USB. OM talking & song "Nothing Like A...", anned old Wellsville, NY drop. (BF,PA weak)

May 29-*1158+-6955-USB. Dr.Love talking. (MP,NY 343)

WWRB-Lula, GA

June 10-0002-0043*-6955-USB. Song "My Name Is" by Eminem, comedy bit. (GM,VA 333) (NW,ONT poor) (JM,PA)

- UNIDENTIFIEDS -

May 21-0108-0152*-6955-AM. Rush mx w/no IDs. (GM,CT 333 PLS QSL)

May 22-0139-0159*-6955-USB. Grateful Dead "Fire On The Mountain". (SM,OK PLS QSL) (PD,ME poor) (GM,CT 232) (LS,OH 353) (JS,NE PLS QSL)

May 22-*0332-0344-6955-USB. Song "We Been Together". (SM,OK PLS QSL)

May 23-0045-0100+-6955-USB. Various songs by Madonna. (BF,PA very good PLS QSL) (PD,ME very good)

May 24-0025-0029-6955-USB. Canadian National Anthem, gave Merlin drop, Scottish marching mx? (BF,PA weak PLS QSL)

May 26-0426-0439*-6955-USB. Hrd rap tune, frog croaking, anncr mentioned \$25,000. (SM,OK PLS QSL)

May 28-0125-6955-USB. Caught OM saying "thanks for listening for God". (LS,OH 354)

May 29-0007-0009-6955-USB. "True Blue" by Madonna. (PD,ME exc.)

May 29-2324-2330-6955-USB. Loop tape of Radio Three clips, host sd he was Niel Wolfish, also mentioned George Zeller, Joe Filipkowski & John Arthur. (PD,ME very good PLS QSL)

May 31-2226-2236-6955-AM. Parody of a #'s stn using food & drink items in groups of four like "taco burrito, eggroll, chowmein" & "Zinfandel, Merlot, Mogen David, Sauterne", off w/"end of xmission" 3 times. (LS,OH 444 PLS QSL)

June 1-0115-0120*-6956-AM. Replay of #'s parody. (PD,ME fair PLS QSL) (JF,RI 333 PLS QSL) (LS,OH 444 PLS QSL) (JS,NE PLS QSL)

June 6-0127-0145* & *0148-0150*-6961.7-AM. Mx by King Crimson & "Secret Agent Man", probably RMWW testing. (GZ,OH 454+) (JS,NE PLS QSL)

June 7-0122-0127-6955-AM. YL tx abt a stn & business. (LS,OH 353 PLS QSL)

June 7-0128-0158-6952-AM. Mx by King Crimson & "Secret Agent Man" @QRT RMWW? (LS,OH 555 PLS QSL)

June 13-1928-1931*-6955.2-AM. Someone testing w/song "Make You Mad". (JF,RI 555)

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*** DX NEWS OF INTEREST ***

Leonard Longwire from the Voice Of Anarchy passes along word that he was responsible for the parody numbers station that was heard on 5/31 and 6/1 UTC. This was the "food & wine groups" station. Al, the op of Alpha Lima Int., says to check 11480 & 11490 khz for activity out of the Netherlands. Radio Bandonica, Radio East Coast Holland & ALI use the two frequencies in the AM mode. ALI has a website if your interested in checking it out, here's the address: <http://www.rendo.dekooi.nl/~alinter> or <http://listen.to/alinternational> I believe there is a link to the Radio East Coast Holland site as well.

Finally, a Peruvian shortwave station has set up operations on 6955.5 AM. From an e-mail received the name of the station is Radiodifusora Paraton in Huarmaca, Peru. I have heard them during evening hours with a strong signal & other ACE members have sent messages that they are hearing the station as well. Will the pirate ops have to make another frequency change? We'll have to see how long the Peruvian station stays on 6955. 6950 has seen increased free radio activity as I write this column. Stay tuned for more and good listening!

Deadline for August 1999 DiaLogs: July 20th

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What's New

the media report...

The FCC has once again extended the comment period for the LPFM proposals, so if you have not yet made your voice heard, you really should. They first extended the period to 01 July, but have now pushed it forward into August at the request of the National Association of Broadcasters (which is fighting the proposals tooth and nail). It's hard to believe that the NAB (or any of the high-powered licensed broadcasters) *really* think that a 50- or 100-watt neighborhood LPFM station is going to impact their profit margin; let's face it: If the big broadcasters truly gave the listeners something worthwhile to listen to they wouldn't have to worry about a peanut-whistle station *competing* with them for listeners. If you haven't yet made your voice heard, send a lucid letter to: FCC - LPFM Comments, Washington, DC. But do it before the beginning of August!

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Please be concise but complete: If you're looking for something, accurately describe what you want; if you're offering something for sale give make, model, honest condition, and asking price. Please help me keep these ads up to date! NO collect calls unless otherwise specified.

Wanted:

New Zealand's free radio specialist needs recordings of US legal and pirate stations for a Radio Sound Archive. If you can contribute contact: SMR via Box 1, Belfast, NY 14711.

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MFJ-941D 300W HF antenna tuner, good condition, with manual: \$40. Motorola VHF linear amplifier, 5-7W in, 60W out, operates on 12VDC, with manual, \$50. Interested parties can contact: <tmsevert@fament.com> or write to: Tom Severt, 305 Granby, Frontenac, KS 66763-2440. All items will ship UPS.

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Upgrade books for 10-meter radios including Uniden, Realistic, Ranger, RCI, Sommerkamp and more. Improve xmit, rcv, synthesizer and audio sections - no crappy CB junk! Inquiries require a #10 SASE, all others will be ignored. Contact: Bud Stacey, PO Box 907, Satsuma, AL 36572.

Theremin - make wild sounds! Assembled PC boards with instructions, just add your case; 10 available: \$50 to ACE members. Contact: C Collins, POB 342502, Milwaukee, WI 53234.

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Ever wonder how to broadcast legally - but without a license? Want to serve a small area on campus or around the school? "Adventures in Part 15 Broadcasting" is a clear, concise overview of the hobby and how it's done, what's permitted and what's not. Your copy is only US\$15 from: Bud Stacey, PO Box 907, Satsuma, AL 36572.

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Commercial-grade FM exciter capable of 30 watts output, FCC type-approved, fully metered, set for 92.5 MHz. Will trade for quality HF rig with at least 100 watts output. Contact: jta for info

TROLLing for Pirates

the rumor center...

ADD to Box 1: Radio Paradox...

Radio Free London continues to broadcast on 15070 kHz in AM mode, reported power is 70 watts. I've heard 'em as early as 1800 and as late as 0030 UTC, and they occasionally peak as high as a S5 on a good day, so they're worth a try. Tune in and sit there for a while - if conditions are right, they'll start fading in and out and you might be able to pick up enough for a reception report. RFL is one of the most consistent EuroPirates lately. Oh yes; they're on *every* day, not just weekends..!

An update to the above: RFL is having trouble with the 19m xmtr - seems it will only stay on the air for about 20 minutes at a time for some reason. However, they're working on the problem and should resolve it soon. They plan to be 24/7 when things are working correctly...

Another update about RFL: They've changed Email addresses again - apparently usa.net was too slow for them. The new e-address is: rfl@england.com. And they do answer their messages...

Europe 41 is testing with non-stop music on 7465 kHz; 1800-2200 Mon-Fri, 0500-2200 weekends. And there seem to be several Dutch stations in the 11450-11500 range, along with SWRS on 11470. Makes for some interesting listening at times...

Just in case there's someone who doesn't already know, there *is* a station broadcasting on 6955.3 for a few hours in the evening. That very weak het you hear is actually a Peruvian station - sometimes they come in strong enough to enjoy the Andean music they play...

Heard another strange one recently: Crazy Elmo's Relay World, with a test transmission. Seemed to be a single phrase repeated, but eventually evolved into CERW IDs and bits from "They're Coming To Take Me Away". Coulda been a parody spoof of RBCN, but the thought occurs that CERW backwards is WREC for whatever that's worth. The M anc gave an e-mail address, but I must have copied it wrong cuz my report bounced...

Doctor Love called to let us know about: www.solidrockradio.net their new website complete with streaming audio. Should be up and running by the time you read this, so check 'em out...

Contrary to what was apparently announced on the air, Free Radio America has *not* contacted Box 1 for maildrop service as of this writing, so please hold your reports until further notice...

And the JTA "Kiss of Death" seems to still be working its magic. Only last month I mentioned how Merlin Network One was making pirate broadcasting moot by putting some great music on the air. Before that even made it into print, MNO went off shortwave (at the end of May)!! Never fails, does it? I recommend the Stone Mountain Engineering "QSYer" keypad and they close up shop. Mention MNO and they go off the air. Let's see here; who can I mention next..?

here's a look at what was slipped.....

Under the door - the QSL report for July 1999

Ross Comeau scored a full data letter from Radio Alfa Lima Dutch EuroPirate) w/drawing of signer Alfred (and card and personal letter) and said 100 watts in 15 days after e-mail report, a no data letter in 16 days from Bandonica Radio (for relay of R Alfa Lima) for \$1.00 to Hoogeveen POB with postcard and photocopy of shack photo & rig (sed 300w), and a full data e-mail (#17) from Crazy Elmo's Relay World signed by Crazy Elmo in five days for Email report.

Joe Filipkowski went overboard with a full data letter (# 31) from Highlands Classic Rock (via SWRS) in 18 days, a full data card (# 00133) letter & infosheet from Radio Strike (via SWRS) signed by Roberto in 15 days, a full data e-mail QSL (# 3) from Crazy Elmo's Relay World signed by Crazy Elmo in 6 days, a full data sheet (# 8) from WPOE in 107 days from brdcast on 6955 & another blue full data sheet for brdcast via SWRS in 33 days both signed by Jack Ripper, a full data bright yellow sheet from Totally Bogus Radio Three signed by Mr. Sal in 15 days for FRN or FRW logging, and a no data "DXer Wordsearch" sheet from WMFQ signed by Mr. Q Esselle for a logging somewhere.

Bill Finn received two QSLs (#1 & 4) from CERW, two WLIS QSLs on June 10th for June 27, 1998 shows: 0200-0233 & 2333-0020 along with a post card and note signed Mr. Ducktail, and a full data card (#698) from Radio Azteca received in about a month and one week for 4/25/99 show, also sent a psychic consultant card, and a new "DXer Wordsearch" no data qsl from WMFQ initialed by QE.

Scott McArdle checks in with a certificate & sticker from WPN in 98 days for report to Huntsville, and an email QSL from CERW within 24 hours for email report.

Ray Pfaff is waxing nostalgic about QSL # 45 from 6YCAT in about 1 1/2 years, and QSL "#1 and Only!" on a Comtrex box from m the Voice of Influenza in about 2 1/2 years as well as some stickers and some first aid stuff :-).

That's a wrap for this month; C U in 30. Best of DX and 73.

SIGfile tagline of the month:

"While money can't buy happiness, it certainly lets you choose your own form of misery."

CLANDESTINE PROFILE

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Your loggings, information, and speculations about clandestine radio stations are always very welcome for this column. You can send them direct to your editor at 3492 West 123rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44111. Or, you can call (216) 941-3366 anytime, or else (216) 696-9077 between 1200-2045 UTC weekdays. E-mail input is welcome via my georgez@acclink.com address, with <http://www.acclink.com/~georgez/index.htm> providing access to my web page.

RADIO PATRIA LIBRE BUSTED

According to Henrik Klemetz of Sweden, as cited in *Numero Uno* #1528 from information carried over the RCN and Caracol radio networks as well as the *El Tiempo* newspaper in Colombia, the Colombian army put out a press release saying that they had busted the communications center of the ELN. The bust took place in the small mountain village of Santa Ana of Antioquia Department. According to the army, they confiscated a transmitter and antenna, along with other production equipment such as tapes and batteries. The report said that this part of the Colombian mountains had been under the control of the Carlos Alirio Buitrago guerrillas, which the army defeated in a mid-May battle.

Another report from Agence France Presse claimed that the bust took place at the transmitter site of Radio Patria Libre, which for many years has been the radio voice of the ELN guerrillas. This report said that the Spanish priest Manuel Perez was the founder of the station while he was the ELN's leader.

The other Colombian rebel clandestine, Voz de la Resistencia (operated by FARC), appears to still be on the air. Gaviria-Colombia in Conexion Digital, quoted in *Numero Uno* #1530 two weeks later, cites a schedule of 1515 and 2015-2100 UTC on 6240 kHz. Patria Libre, when active, had been noted about 10 kHz higher. Given the early time of day that the two stations have been operating, logs from North America are just about impossible during summer daylight. But, as the days get shorter, we ought to make a note to check out the 6240 kHz area late in the afternoon to see if any activity emerges from the Colombian rebel clandestines. Voz de la Resistencia has been known to operate as low as 6170 kHz, and Patria Libre (when active) has been noted as low as 6210 kHz. So, if you're looking for the Colombian rebel clandestines, you need to tune around the high end of the 49 meter band.

CHRIS SMOLINSKI NUMBERS STATION CD

I believe this may have been covered previously in Tom Severt's *Covert Comms* column, but I think the product is worthy of another mention. Veteran ACE members will remember Chris Smolinski, who among other things was the editor of our ACE DiaLogs column for a couple of years. Chris has produced a CD called *The Numbers Racket: A compilation of Shortwave Spy Numbers Stations*. This is a very interesting CD that operates off a web browser in html format. Included are discussions of dozens of different types of numbers stations, including numerous .wav file examples of the signals. If you're trying to identify the nature of a numbers station that you log, this CD can be highly valuable. It also includes some of the digital numbers formats, which many of us just hear and curse as some sort of rasping QRM.

You probably will want to get one of these CD's. Chris says that the cost is \$25.00. Orders go to Chris Smolinski, 4708 Trail Court, Westminster, Maryland 21158. The cost includes postage. If you want to order online, Chris maintains a web site that takes credit cards at <http://www.blackcatsystems.com/numbers> on the web. The same URL with DB put on the end of it goes to a numbers station database that Chris is maintaining. He reports an incredible total of over 3,000 loggings on it during the first two weeks of operation. Whether or not you have a strong interest in numbers stations, this CD and Chris' web site are well worth a look at.

CLANDESTINE RADIO WATCH ON SENTECH SCHEDULE

If you're not a regular reader of Martin Schoech's *Clandestine Radio Watch* newsletter, then you're not keeping up with the latest news on worldwide clandestine activity. Martin notes that issue #30 arrived a few weeks late because of his personal time commitments, but it has arrived, and is full of interesting material.

Among the headline items in the latest CRW is the fact that the South African Sentechn web site, which traditionally has listed programming from Nigerian clandestine Radio Kudirat on their web site. However, Mike Barraclough in BCDX #414 noticed that the latest Sentechn web schedule omits the Kudirat programming. On the other hand, Mike reported that he did log Kudirat on the air for an hour at 1900 UTC on both 6205 and 11560 kHz during several early June occasions. This station is in English, and has traditionally generated good enough signals for decent copy in most parts of North America. If you'd like to hear what an English language clandestine sounds like, this outlet is one of your best bets.

Martin notes that you can access both the current issue and back issues of *Clandestine Radio Watch* at <http://www.swl.net/swl-de/swl-cla.html> on the internet. He suggests that we note that this is a slight change from URL's that they formerly used for this service.

In CRW news, Armando F. Mastrapa, webmeister of the Clandestine Radio: An Anti-Castro Historiography web site (known at one time as the Anti-Castro Clandestine Radio Page, has joined the staff of Clandestine Radio Watch. He will be assisting Nick Grace and Martin Schoech in this project. If you have items to send in, polisci@mindspring.com is the direct e-mail address to send material to Armando.

CONGO CLANDESTINE

In *Numero Uno* #1328, Mahendra Vaghjee of Mauritius reported a log on 7205 kHz from *0330-0420+ UTC of La Voix du Peuple from Lubumbashi. (The BBC clobbered it when it signed on at 0420 UTC). He notes a variety of Congo patriotic songs, along with a program titled "Le Combat" about the second anniversary of the liberation of Congo. Mahendra notes that the signal is good in Mauritius when QRM like Poland and the BBC is not on the frequency. It could propagate to North America at this time of day, so you might want to try and hear it.

AMARC-EUROPE PRESS RELEASE

We received the following Press Release from AMARC-EUROPE, which I am printing here unedited:

In the context of the "Voices Without Frontiers" project led by the Amarc-Europe, AMIS launch a subscription to all the radio stations, their listeners and all the associations with the aim to raise funds and buy a mobile studio for RADIO 21, a pluralist and Albanian speaking radio station obliged to leave Pristina between Mr. Molosevic's troops and NATO bombings.

A group of journalists is now trying to re-constitute the radio in Macedonia and some of their productions are already available on the net. The mobile studio will be their and our informative outpost (remaining in a war vocabulary...) in one of the refugee camps close to Skopje: it should start broadcasting next 16th of June during a special global broadcast (via FM, satellite, internet and short waves) organized by the Amarc-Europe for the International Refugee Day.

Our web site www.amisnet.org will keep you informed about the outcomes of the initiative. In the meantime, feel free to distribute widely this message and don't hesitate to subscribe any amount in any value to:

AMIS - Agenzia Multimediale Informazione Sociale
Bank account number: 6568, Istituto Bancario San Paolo di Torino
9/11 Via Duccio da Buoninsegna, 00142 Rome, Italy
code CAB: 03207
code ABI: 1025
mentioning in the description "mobile studio for Radio 21"

ANARC SWL NET ON INTERNET

Dave Kirby, N1DK, sends word that the ANARC SWL net, which suspended its longtime 40 meter amateur radio net on 7240 kHz for the summer, has re-emerged as an internet magazine. Along with NN2U, Al Quaglieri, the net content arrives in RealAudio format. Included in the materials are recordings of logs that DXers made and submitted to the net.

Al Quaglieri says that two editions of the feature have been posted on a web site. If you want to check it out, <http://www.albany.net/~alcue> is the URL to use. You can also use dkirby@ncweb.com to e-mail Dave Kirby, or alcue@albany.net to reach Al Quaglieri. In the past, the ANARC net frequently carried logs and information on pirates and clandestines that were submitted by net participants. Dave Kirby notes that the value of this new feature will depend upon how much participation the program generates. Both Dave and Al say that participation by ACE members is most welcome.

AMPB NEWSLETTER

Although few micropirates can be classified as clandestines, the recent explosion of micropirate activity (and FCC busts) does have a strong political content, during a time when the FCC has a low power FM proposal under consideration. One of the best links to the inside of this scene is via Paul Giffin at AMPB. Their newsletter is a hard hitting e-mail collection of commentary on the FCC and news developments impacting the stations. If you're interested, use ampb@global.california.com to contact Paul. He'll be happy to send you a copy of the newsletter.

CUBA MEGALINKS CENTER

<http://www.lanuevacuba.com/> remains the web site for Maximo Thomas' Cuba Megalinks Center. I get material about once a week from Maximo, showing that he's putting a lot of effort into keeping this resource updated. If you're interested in Cuban affairs, including groups contributing to the clandestine and quasi-clandestine scene there, you will want to take a look at this site. This is one way to keep track of the ever-changing activity in the Cuban-American community, such as another purge at Radio and TV Marti in early May. But, this site covers activities within Cuba as well.

AFGHAN CLANDESTINE

I saw a news item noting that Jay Leno's wife has become active in organizing Hollywood celebrities in opposition to the widespread persecution of women by the Taliban government of Afghanistan. Perhaps He Man Radio might endorse the concept that women should not go to school, cannot hold a job, and should be covered by clothing from head to foot if they happen to venture out of doors. (Well, maybe He Man might not favor the last part of this political platform).

In any event, Takhar Radio, the voice of Ahmad Shah Masud's anti-Taliban Northern Alliance, has been noted in June by BBCMS on 7070v kHz from 0130-0245 and 1300-1415 UTC. Programming is in Pashto and Dari. I don't believe that Jay Leno's wife has anything to do with this station, but it might help her understand the cause if she bought a shortwave radio and tried to DX the real thing from the Afghan political struggle.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

North Korea has been another hot spot lately. Martin Schoech notes in CRW #30 that there have been recent logs of Voice of the People from the Korean Workers' Union. Their ID is "Yoginum Pyongyang-eso pomaedurimum inamimuisonbang-immida." Try for them around North American sunrise (in the 1200 UTC time frame) on 3912 kHz.

VINCE HAVRILKO E-MAIL

Last month we printed a new e-mail address for longtime ACE member Vince Havrilko, who currently is based in California. This month we have to change it again. Vince can now be reached via the raptor62@cwia.com address.

RADIO BOB ON ZELLER WEB SITE

For a week or two the Free Radio Network web site had a huge link to my new web site at the top of the FRN home page, along with remarks about the world coming to an end when a computer lummoX like George Zeller gets a web site. I want to thank John Cruzan and Kirk Trummel for calling attention to this. The brief and prominent link generated a number of inquiries, including this one from Radio Bob in Georgia:

Hey Bud, well I finally got up the nerve to visit yer homeslice page whose link - to is so prominently posted atop the frn homewack. Cozy place you got there George. If that is your real name.....Nice Watkins Johnsons too....yeah.....but what the hell is up with those mutton chops?? ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING !! ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING !!

73 Nicely Done page Radio Bob

So far I have been trying to kill several birds with one stone on this web site, with material both from work, about shortwave, and about family genealogy material. The site as a stand-alone site is not overwhelming, but it does have links to other useful resources. I should call one part of the shortwave section to your attention. Two or three years ago I did some research on the founding of the International Short Wave Club, the first hobby club that was devoted to shortwave broadcast DXing. During the late 1920's when this club started, virtually all shortwave broadcasting was still experimental, and thus there was little distinction between licensed stations, pirates, clandestines, or technical categories like we use today. If you haven't seen this yet, the link to my site is up at the top of this column.

RADIODIFUSORA PARATON

In the biggest non-clandestine South American news to hit ACE members in recent months, many of you have by now noticed the nightly operations of Radiodifusora Paraton on 6955.5 kHz. This broadcaster from Huarmaco, Peru used to use variable frequencies around 6670 kHz, but in mid-June it parked itself right in the middle of the pirate band. Despite summer propagation, after 0130 UTC this carrier has been creating loud hets on any pirate who tries to operate either in AM or USB modes on the traditional 6955 kHz. It remains to be seen if the Peruvian will stay put, but already some pirates have been QSY'ing down to frequencies such as 6950 kHz.

THANKS!

This month we thank the following DXers who sent in material direct for this column: Vince Havrilko (California), Chris Smolinski (Maryland), Dave Kirby (Ohio), Max Thomas (Florida), Armando Mastrapa (New York), Paul Giffin (California), Martin Schoech (Germany), Ullis Fleming (Maryland), Radio Bob (Georgia), and George Zeller (Ohio). Next month we all hope to hear from YOU by July 17 for the August *Clandestine Profile*.

Micro 'casting

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The sole purpose of this column is to enlighten & educate ACE members about the many facets of Part 15 and micro radio- this is YOUR column! Please send all news clippings, tapes, station profiles and what-have-you to the mailing address or e-mail address above.

HELLO FROM STORM CENTRAL! As I write this, we already have a named storm in the Atlantic "Arlene" which, as of this morning, posed no immediate threat to land. Also, we're experiencing severe thunderstorms at all times of the day & night all over the Southeast- in fact, flash floods occur regularly every day here in Mobile. All the more reason to make sure you have plenty of stuff stored by, especially when you're running a station- you may be the ONLY source of news in your area!

Which brings to mind (from several sources) the story of some contract engineers "loaning" their equipment to stations in their area who were knocked off by severe storms. I believe the title in one journal read, "Pirate Radio Comes To The Rescue" - and this was also posted on the "alt.radio.pirate" newsgroup. It was a story where several former pirates put their 100 and 300 and 10 watt transmitters on the air in place of the stations' fried equipment until commercial replacements could be obtained and installed. And don't forget KIND Radio providing up-to-the-minute news in their community when all the other stations just played music during the recent floods in Texas (kinda reminds me of Nero fiddling while Rome burned).

And speaking of KIND Radio, we turn to NEWS: CIB Docket 98-44: FCC orders Joseph Ptak to cease & desist. The solution: move the transmitter/station to a new location, thus causing the FCC to repeat the process of discovery, notification, etc., effectively bogging the system down for another couple of years. When I gleaned this off the newsgroup, there were all kinds of great info on lawful procedure - such as, if this order were signed by a single judge, it was null and void; it has to be done by a three-judge panel. I can't remember the legality of it all, but it's in the lawbooks and it's hard to obtain....

The latest on LPFM? The FCC has AGAIN extended the comment period for mm 99-25 (low power proceeding). LPFM comments are now due by August 2 and replies on September 1. (from Radio world and various Internet sources).

NEAT WEBSITE! For all you experimenters/hackers/radio hobbyists, check out Circuit Specialists' webpage:

www.web-tronics.com for some of the best in kits of all kinds, test equipment, computer goodies, soldering, printed circuit materials and more! I was interested in their transmitter kits, which consisted of "bugs" we mentioned in an earlier column. One was their most powerful 2-transistor bug, the Kit32; others were the 9-volt powered Kit18 and the 3-volt powered Kit7. Check 'em out for their on-line catalog and product descriptions - good stuff!

FREE SPEECH, RADIO AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS: I'd like to kinda curve around the subject of radio for a minute- and it all relates. Being an American patriot and lover of radio for some 31+ years, I've seen where freedoms and privileges have been gained AND lost. I've been called an "enemy of the state" by a former Senator by being a white Christian male and been eyeballed for my pro-2nd Amendment stance; likewise, you have been also eyeballed for your pro-free radio support, but if we all stand back (like many of us have for the last 40 or so years), then we get stepped on by a small group of severely narrow-minded individuals. I won't go into what groups and who...only what we need to do as a democratic society living in a free republic should do.

Obtain a copy of the Constitution and read all ten Amendments. Now, focus on the Second Amendment and see where it protects all the others from being eroded. Recently, the Senate passed S. 254, which could lawfully ban gun shows. The House has before them H.R. 1501, a similar bill. Now, if they succeed in doing what they (the anti-gun crowd and Bill Clinton) REALLY want to do, then the Second Amendment could be severely compromised. Then, they could say, "So what?" to the other amendments and further trample your rights and privileges. That means, very little chance of LPFM or any other kind of free radio being passed and it would all go out the window...in other words, an unarmed populace become subjects to a tyrannical government. No 2nd Amendment, therefor, no 1st Amendment rights of free speech and freedom to gather, etc.- who and what's gonna stop "them" from breaking you up?

Yes, I know this is off the track of radio, but think about it. Think about it hard! Make it your main priority to be able to be in full contact with your Congressmen/women and let them know, in a nice, polite, but firm way, what you believe in. Search them out and contact them via: www.senate.gov or www.house.gov

And if you have any problems, look in your federal listings in your local phonebook under "Congressional Offices" for your Senator's and Representative's local office's phone number, or e-mail me for further information. Doing this makes you "radioactive" in a different way. E-mail is nice, but a hard copy letter makes them sit up and take notice in a more effective way.

Yes, I AM a radio activist, due to my stance in many areas. By the way, many folks don't know that, in addition to gun confiscation, Hitler also confiscated radio receivers AND transmitters during W.W.II- possession of any of the three would result in immediate execution, or, in lesser cases, interment camp - but the former usually came about. DON'T LET HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF.

Be radioactive- and talk hard! 73fr, de Bud

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Numbers monitor Chris Smolinski has a numbers website that we are all familiar with (in case you're not, check out:

<http://www.blackcatsystems.com/numbers/numbers.html>)

Recently, Chris has added a numbers log database to the world wide web. The database can be found at <http://www.blackcatsystems.com/numbersDB>. You can enter your own logs or search the logs that others have already entered. You can search logs by date, time, day of the week, frequency, mode, ENIGMA classification, reporter, location, or comments. Can't find any numbers stations on the air? Click on the links to see which stations may be on the air currently or on in the next hour, based on loggings submitted to the database.

Another neat feature of the online database is an option to view logging statistics with graphs. There are two graphs which show loggings sorted by frequency in mHz and by time in UTC. It would appear by looking at the graphs that 5-8 mHz is particularly busy, and 0800 UTC is a good time to listen.

To enter your loggings, click on "Enter loggings into the database." Just enter your name & location, then fill out the fields for each logging. In case you don't know which ENIGMA classification to enter for the stations you logged, there is a handy lookup link. When finished, click on the submit button at the bottom of the page. There's also an option to send the loggings to the Spooks mailing list.

Chris has gathered over 3800 loggings in the database, and would like to add old loggings as well as current ones. If you would like to add yours, you can do it in either of two ways. Enter them manually as mentioned above, or send your loggings to Chris at spooks@blackcatsystems.com. If you email the loggings, they will need to be in the following format:

NAME Your name follows (pseudonyms acceptable)

LOCATION Your location follows

START

YYYY-MM-DD TIME-END FREQ MODE ENIGMA Any comments you would like to include

YYYY-MM-DD TIME-END FREQ MODE ENIGMA Any comments you would like to include

YYYY-MM-DD TIME-END FREQ MODE ENIGMA Any comments you would like to include

END

Enter your name & location after NAME and LOCATION respectively, then under that a line with START. After that, enter each log on a separate line in the format listed above. If you don't have an end time, just enter 0000. On the last line, type END.

I have sent all my past numbers logs to Chris, and I enter all new logs to the database. This looks to be a handy reference tool for numbers monitors. For instance, if you hear an open carrier on 6768 kHz, you can check the database to see that the Cuban V2 stations have been logged there.

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Now for a few loggings:

4028 - Cuban YL/SS w/ 5F msg in AM at 0625. (TS)
4174 - Cuban YL/SS 5F msg in AM at 0708. (TS)
5417 - Cuban YL/SS w/ three 5F msgs in AM at 0700. (TS)
5419.5 - M8a Sat 06121999 0200 CW rptg DWDIN DURGN ANTNA (JM)
5762 - V2a Sat 06121999 0200 AM extremely weak. (JM)
7918 - E10 Sat 06121999 0200 USB rptg YHF (JM)
8300 - "New Star" YL/CC 4F msg in AM at 1207. (TS)
12300.5 - V5 Sat 06121999 0300 AM //14421 rptg 729 Grupo 159 (JM)
13149 - Cuban CW cut # stn w/ 5F msg at 1818. (TS)
18481 - 4XZ in CW at 1843 w/ 210 grp 5L msg. (TS)
22108 E4 Mon 03221999 0000 USB in progress (JM)

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That's all for this month. Please send your loggings & numbers station news to me at the address at the top of this column.

Some Pirate Radio and Free Radio WWW sites on the INTERNET

<http://www.frn.net/ace/> The ACE
<http://www.frn.net> Free Radio Network
<http://listen.to/swrs> Short Wave Relay Service
<http://www.lis.se/~jal> SRS News
<http://www.frn.net/rfi/pipa> The Pirate Pages
<http://www.guernsey.net/~bebridel/> Offshore Echo
<http://www.fortunecity.com/tinpan/starr/590/index.html> Free Speech Community Radio
<http://w3.one.net/~folk/frw.htm> Free Radio Weekly
<http://www.qsl.net/yb0rmi/cland.htm> Clandestine Radio Intel
<http://www.fused.com/www/xbones.htm> British Pirate Radio
<http://www.blackcatsystems.com/radio/pirate.html> Pirate Radio Central
<http://members.wbs.net/homepages/r/o/c/rockitradio.html> Rock-It Radio
<http://www.radio4all.org/> Radio For All
<http://www.ecnet.net/users/bsngd/fmradio.html> Low Power FM Broadcasting
<http://www.sasquatch.com/~zane/radio.html> Radio Free Santa Cruz
<http://www.alpcom.it/hamradio/freewaves/index.html> Freewaves Italian Pirate Radio
<http://www.freezywater.u-net.com/> (British) Anorak Pirate Radio Info
<http://www.sasquatch.com/~zane/lowfaq.txt> LP Broadcasting FAQ
<http://www.freeradio.org/> Free Radio Berkeley 104.1
<http://www.afn.org/~afn31658/> Mad Dog Radio 96.5
<http://www.beatworld.com/> Beat Radio 97.7
<http://www.radiofreemonterey.org/> Radio Free Monterey
<http://www.pirate-radio.co.uk/> (British) Pirate Radio Internet

THE PRESIDENTS PAGE

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The Post Office really messed up the April issue, so if you haven't received your April issue, either e-mail me or send me a card and I'll re-mail the April issue to you. I'm still getting mangled copies back, in plastic bags and we know that a number of members missed their issues. In the 2 ½ years that Steve and I have been publishing the ACE, we've have 3 incidents where the Post Office fouled up, but this is the worst case so far. My e-mail address is: pradio@erols.com

Nice to see activity picking back up. Seems like any time during the weekend I can turn on the old Kenwood R-5000 and hear some pirate activity. If you need immediate fixes on what is going on, you can go to our Website at: www.frn.net/ace and then go to the "Logs" section. Members and non-members post the latest pirate catches and it gives you a chance to see what is going on, right now, when you are trying to listen.

Our eternal thanks go out to the people who put this newsletter together each and every month without fail. Steve Rogovich deserves a medal for his never-ending efforts to make this newsletter look good and keep me in line and organized. The printing staff, Mary, Inez and Randy never let us down. Christen & Tara on labels and stamps are just a few of the regulars that make it possible. Thanks for everything you do for the ACE.

Summertime is here so don't forget to do some listening on the weekends during the daytime. Lots of activity. A few years ago, WREC and Radio Free Speech used to be on in the early mornings on Saturday and Sunday and I heard Radio Fusion Radio recently in the early AM, so don't focus on late evening for pirate catches.

VISIT THE ACE WEBSITE AT:
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